

BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

In the Matter of the Suspension or Revocation)
)
of the Educator Certificate of)
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Deborah Minors Greenleaf,)
)
Certificate 100638)

**CONSENT ORDER OF
PUBLIC REPRIMAND**

SUMMARY OF THE CASE

The South Carolina State Board of Education (State Board) considered this matter on April 12, 2005. On February 25, 2005, the State Department of Education (Department) sent a notice of hearing regarding a possible certificate suspension or revocation to Ms. Deborah M. Greenleaf by certified mail, return receipt requested, delivery restricted to addressee. Ms. Greenleaf agreed to resolve the case without a hearing upon the following terms: (1) a public reprimand will be issued to Ms. Greenleaf by the State Board, (2) the public reprimand will be reported to all school districts in South Carolina with the grounds listed as "test security violation," and (3) this order will be maintained as a public record in the Office of General Counsel of the Department. After considering the evidence presented by the Department, the State Board voted to issue a public reprimand to Ms. Greenleaf.

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FINDINGS OF FACT

Ms. Greenleaf holds a valid South Carolina certificate and has over seventeen years of teaching experience. During the 2003-2004 school year, Ms. Greenleaf was a fifth grade teacher at Great Falls Middle School in Chester County School District. During the May 2004 administration of PACT testing, Ms. Greenleaf was observed by several teachers making hand gestures and pointing

to a student's test in an apparent effort to assist the student. When questioned, the student stated that Ms. Greenleaf had assisted him with a test question.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

"The State Board of Education may, for just cause, either revoke or suspend the certificate of any person." S.C. Code Ann. §59-25-150 (2004), S.C. Code Ann. §59-25-160 (2004); 24 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-58. The Board finds that there is substantial evidence to support a decision to issue a public reprimand to Ms. Greenleaf. Accordingly, the Board issues this Consent Order of Public Reprimand as set forth above.

South Carolina State Board of Education

/S/Paul M. Forrester
Paul M. Forrester, Chair

Columbia, South Carolina
April 12, 2005

I, Deborah M. Greenleaf, SC Teaching Certificate 100638, do hereby agree to this Order of Public Reprimand, consisting of two pages, and understand that this Order will be presented as signed to the State Board of Education on Tuesday, April 12, 2005.

4/5/05
Date

/S/ Deborah M. Greenleaf
Signature